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**RESPONSE TO AUGUST 4, 2004 OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed August 4, 2004.

Applicant respectfully requests amendment of the patent application, and reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 4 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begin on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks** addressing each of the Examiner's dispositions being on page 10 of this paper.

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